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## THE REAL ISSUES.

FROM THE ACTION OF Democratic conventions which have met this year, it is plain the party proposes to make an aggressive campaign on live issues and cut out the dead timber that has cumbered their platforms in former fights. The action of the executive committee of the congressional committee, not long since foreshadowed such a plan; and the programme adopted in the state conventions since confirms it.

Trusts, tariff and taxation sum up the main issue; and the danger to American institutions from imperialism in the colonies will be a collateral argument.

Every indication points to a revolt in the Republican party against the war tariff and its children, the trusts. Taxation for the purpose of private gain, the concentration of power in the hands of combinations fostered by the tariff, are the evils most dangerous to the national welfare and are forcing themselves most urgently upon the attention of the people.

They invoke a principle that appeals to every citizen regardless of party, and constitute an issue that cannot be ignored or cried down. The attempt to divert attention from these issues by an appeal to sectional hatred or the lust of conquest and gain cannot be made successful.

If the campaign is centered upon these questions, the Democratic party may reasonably hope to make great gains in the congressional elections and pave the way for victory in 1904.

It is worthy of note in this connection that the younger, more progressive men of the party are coming to the front in the management of affairs. The prominence of Cable and Altschuler and Hopkins in Illinois is only an instance of the drift of affairs within the party, and it indicates a progressive reorganization of the entire party machinery.

## SHIP SUBSIDY GAME.

RIGHT ON THE HEELS of the announcement that J. P. Morgan has combined practically all of the American steamship lines and most of the foreign companies, an attempt was made in congress on Monday to pass a ship subsidy measure for Pacific ocean traffic. It was not called a subsidy, but under another name it has just as rank an odor.

Congressman Stevens of Minnesota made the move and asked a suspension of the rules for its adoption. He failed only because he did not have the requisite two-thirds of the house. His motion was "to authorize the secretary of war, in his discretion, to favor American-built ships in the transportation of government supplies to the Philippines across the Pacific ocean."

On its face, that looks simple enough, but the debate developed the fact that American-built ships on the Pacific have about all the business they can handle, and that if the secretary of war in his discretion used these ships the nation would have to pay a very heavy price for the privilege.

The fact that James J. Hill of Minnesota has a number of ships which would profit by the bill, if passed, might possibly account for its origin with a Minnesota congressman. Of course, Mr. Hill knew nothing about Mr. Stevens' plan to deplete the treasury, but it is fair to presume that Mr. Hill would have consented to let his ships get some of the extra profits if Stevens' scheme had succeeded.

Patriotism would require this much of Hill—to say nothing of the extra 10 per cent dividends in sight.

## THE RESERVATION BILL.

THERE HAVE BEEN more deliberate attacks in congress than the bill for the opening of the Uintah reservation, but there has never been one where the beneficiaries of the crooked legislation were more brazen in their defiance of decency.

The reservation should have been opened long ago and probably would have been if interested public officials had not hoped to profit by delaying the opening.

When it became evident that a bill would be passed to restore the reservation to the public domain, the measure was loaded down with a provision making the Florence Mining company, a private corporation, the gift of privileges which are supposed to be worth millions.

Nobody knows who are the stockholders in this company, but it is known that the postmaster general of the United States was formerly one of them and that his associates were men high in the councils of the Republican party. They were afraid to let their names be known and have done their legislative work in the dark, facts that go far to prove the illicit nature of the scheme by which they hope to get rich at public expense.

So powerful is this combination that the president of the United States and the Utah delegation in congress have been compelled to admit that no bill opening the reservation could become a law without a provision protecting the Florence Mining company in its concessions.

That is to say, a righteous bill, demanded by a state of the Union and approved by the president, cannot pass without the consent of a private corporation which is owned and controlled by Republican politicians and leaders. Rather than have the reservation held as an Indian paradise for the exploitation of private combinations in

perpetuity, the Utah members of congress submitted to this game of lost and the country is afforded a demonstration of Republican compromise with dishonesty unequalled since the scandal of the Credit Mobilier.

## NEGLECT CITY BUSINESS.

THE PROPERTY-OWNERS of Third South street paid the city months ago a tax for paying their street and while that money has been in the city treasury no earnest effort has been made to get the work done.

A part of the street was torn up, diverting travel and injuring the business of tenants until patience ceased to be a virtue and the aggrieved citizens protested to the city authorities. Now come the contractors for paving, the Alcatraz company, and plead inability to get the proper material for curbing as an excuse for their dilatoriness.

The excuse is worse than the delay. If there had been any good reason it would not have taken months to find it out. Paying has gone on in Second South street with a celerity that disproves the excuse offered and the council ought to make the Alcatraz company get down to business on Third South street at once.

And while the council is discussing delay it might explain why the city crematory is not coming on faster. The money for that has also been in the treasury a long time. It was derived from the sale of city property and the excuse for this sale was the necessity of a crematory to take care of the city's sanitation this summer.

Up to date there has been no sign of attention to the matter. Possibly the fact that the deposits of money that belong to special funds offset the city's enormous overdraft, and so save interest, may be an explanation of the criminal delay. But no matter what the explanation, the procrastination in these two works of public importance has grown unendurable.

Mayor Thompson and his council ought to be pilloried by public opinion for their negligence of this municipal business.

## THE GROWTH OF LUXURY.

IN THE EARLY DAYS in this country there were many laws which are laughed at now, but which were, perhaps, necessary to meet the conditions that then existed. One that today would be looked upon as the height of governmental impertinence, provided for the infliction of dire penalties upon persons whose expenditures exceeded their incomes. The first settlers had a righteous horror of debt, and, as far as possible, they saw to it that themselves and their neighbors kept out of it.

An article by John Gilmer Speed in Ainslie's for June almost makes one wish for a revival of the obsolete statute. Mr. Speed calls attention to the growth of and the growing love for luxury in this country. "The hurt of luxury," he says, "considered as a necessity, is in others who cannot afford to lead luxurious lives, but who consider that to lead plainer lives is almost indecent."

Mr. Speed has reached the heart of the matter in a very few words. The force of example has started more young people on the broad path toward destruction than any other influence. A young man and his wife are living in a smart neighborhood. He is drawing a small salary and his neighbors are possessed of independent means. Mr. Robinson, next door, appears in a handsome new dress or an expensive cloak, and the little woman who is just starting life with her salaried husband feels that she is a martyr unless her things are just as good as Mrs. Robinson's. And usually she gets them, though it means the ruin of the man she loves.

And the women are really less often to blame than the men. No man likes to associate with other men unless he "holds up his end," as the saying goes. If it is a crowd that drinks, he must treat as often as anybody else, he must wear just as good clothes, drive just as fine horses, live in just as fine a house. Debts pile up, higher, higher, higher, and the first thing that young man knows he is hopelessly involved. He hasn't been happy, either, for true happiness consists in living within one's income. The most contented people are the people who do without when they haven't the money with which to buy.

"Formerly when a young man was finished at college he set about learning a profession or a business, and finding a wife at the same time," says Mr. Speed. "When he was prepared for the one he was ready for the other. It is vastly different now, for now the youths must begin where the old folks leave off—they must do this or they lose caste. The whole topey-turvy disarrangement of all that which is natural and proper may all be attributed to that growth of luxury which is the most marked characteristic of the age in which we live."

"Mayor Justesen has shed his ice cream suit, his derby hat and patent leather shoes temporarily, and has gone on a short trip into the East mountains for needed rest and recreation," says the Spring City correspondent of the M. P. Pleasant Pyramid. Surely the least thing the mayor could do under such circumstances was to take to the hills. He would be promptly arrested if he attempted to walk around town minus his "ice cream" suit, his derby hat and his patent leather shoes.

Senator Kearns' press agent must be sick or out of Washington. Here is a dispatch saying Orange Salisbury is to get \$15,249.03 as his share of the deficiency appropriation this year, and yet no claim is made that Kearns got it for his friend Orange. Where, oh, where, is Doc Jones?

The council declares the charge for admission to the baseball game here is getting money under false pretenses. Most Salt Lake get more for their money at Walker field than they do in the council chamber.

King Edward has been going out of his way to say nice things about the Boers. Now, if there's anything we hate, it is to see a poor man truckle to the rich.

Mark Hanna says again that he is not a candidate for the presidency. Mark is gradually discovering the situation as it is.

## Society

One of the prettiest of the home parties given this season was the dancing party at the beautiful home of Dr. and Mrs. Henry Le Moine last evening. The affair was arranged in honor of Miss Cist of Cincinnati, who is their guest, and nearly 100 were present. Dancing was enjoyed to a large extent, and in the dining room, the hard floors making excellent dancing floors. In the ping pong room the game was played with enthusiasm, and on the south porch, where punch was served, an artistic cozy corner was arranged. Japanese lanterns studded the lawn, where hammocks and couches added to the comfort of the guests. The large porch was covered with rugs, and almost enclosed with palms and tropical plants. Christensen's orchestra, stationed on the hall landing, rendered delightful dance music, and in the intervals the cozy nooks on the porch and lawn were pleasant retreats for the dancers.

Miss Sadie McChrystal entertained the members of her bridal party last evening at a delightful dinner at the Tavern. The table was spread in the green room and was beautifully decorated with sweet peas as a centerpiece and candelabra at either end. The places were indicated by dainty cards with toasts appropriate, and ten guests were seated at the table.

Mrs. A. J. Hosmer was the hostess at a most enjoyable sixty-three party yesterday afternoon. The rooms were decorated with roses, no set color scheme being followed. The guests were seated at twelve tables and prizes were won by Mrs. Hyde Dale and Mrs. J. R. Hood. Dr. H. D. Hosmer entertained at the third in their series of parties last evening, the game played being euchre.

Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Keith entertained at a delightfully informal musicale last evening in honor of Mrs. Tom Blyth. A musical guessing contest preceded a fine program including several vocal and instrumental solos.

Dr. John Niles of Pennsylvania, is in the city and will spend some time visiting his son, Dr. H. D. Niles.

Mrs. J. T. Kingsbury will leave shortly for Malad, Ida., where she will spend a few weeks.

The Misses Welby have invitations out for an afternoon affair on Saturday.

Mrs. C. H. Bassett and children will leave tomorrow for Idaho to visit relatives during the summer.

This evening at the home of her sister, Mrs. Francis Armstrong, Miss May Siddoway will be married to Mr. Ernest Van Cott.

Mrs. Harry Knowles and Miss Cordelia Green leave today for Como lake, where they will be the guests of Miss Blanche Chadwick till August.

Mrs. W. H. Gilmer and daughter, Lucile, left yesterday for Nevada to spend the summer on their ranch.

The Misses Stewart have gone to Seattle to spend the vacation.

This evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Bonnard, will take place the double marriage of their daughters, Chessie to Mr. George Frederick Rigby, and Lulu Grace to Dr. Charles Newland Ray.

A meeting of the governing board, Council of Jewish Women, is to be held at the residence of Mrs. Silverstein, 356 South Third East, June 20, at 10:30 a. m. Officers and members are urged to be present.

Misses Annie Adams and Daisy Ray-bould are visiting friends at Bingham.

Mrs. E. A. Wedgwood and children are spending a few days in Provo.

Miss Jean Odel has invitations out for a luncheon for a number of her young friends Thursday.

Mrs. Kate Bridwell Anderson entertained a few friends at an informal musicale last evening in honor of Squire Coop, who leaves shortly for Germany.

Mrs. Joseph Bowyer and daughter, Eva, of Phoenix, Ariz., will spend the summer in the city as the guests of Mrs. W. H. Wilkinson.

## A WICKED BURLSQUE.

A Facetious Editor Makes Sport of Roosevelt at Harvard.

From those on the inside we understand that Harvard's coming commencement season will be like one long-drawn-out three-ring circus, with President Roosevelt giving humorous and simultaneous performances in all three rings. During the early part of the performance Roosevelt will appear as one of the students, and will be hailed as "Teddy" by every graduate and undergraduate of the university. The night before the show opens the M. Fac will give several exhibitions of strenuousness, and will decorate all the flag poles of Cambridge, paint all the college buildings red, tar and feather a few of the students who show their disapproval of the doctrines of peace, and otherwise make things hum.

On the first day of the show, in ring No. 1, Roosevelt will give an exhibition of being photographed while easily riding fiery steeds; in ring No. 2 he will be snap-shot by 3,000 kodak snappers, while freeing tame tigers, the city authorities of Cambridge having forbidden bringing into this city the trained Rocky mountain lions with which it was intended at first he should appear; in ring No. 3, dressed in full toga as a Roman senator, he will deliver his great oration in defense of the army, beginning: "Oh, I'm the one can sling the O's and I's." After a short intermission to allow the distinguished performer to make some lightning change in costume, he will appear in ring No. 1 in the act of throwing General Miles out of a White House window; in ring No. 2 in the act of trying to induce Admiral Schley to go way back and sit down, and in ring 3 in the great anti-American tableau, in which he shows his haughty contempt for the constitution. On class day, because of the abolishing of the old-time scrap for flowers about the tree, and that the attending multitude may have a sight that will thrill and enthrall, Mr. Roosevelt has kindly agreed to show how he won the fight at San Juan. For this performance there is being built in Soldier field a real hill, up which Roosevelt, in full rough rider's uniform, will dash on horseback and disperse the 2,000 professional supers who have been engaged at great expense to represent the Spanish cohorts. Roosevelt will dismount and climb a greased pole, from the top of which he will swing a wreath of laurel, with which he will crown himself, and then slide easily and gracefully to the ground, and, remounting his charger, dash off the field to the firing of cannon, the blaring of trumpets and the huzzas of the audience. Commencement day he will appear as president of the United States in a long black coat and a plug hat. On being presented with his degree he will yell, "Down with Yale," call for three cheers for old Harvard, and then deliver a new style speech, in which he will speak commendingly of President Eliot and kindly recommend him to acquire a little more dash and ginger.

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